Colorado Independent Congressional Redistricting Commission Public Comment and Communities of Interest Committee

April 9, 2021 – 3:00pm Virtual Meeting

Attendance:

Brawner	X
Espinoza	Х
Kelly	E
Coleman	X

The meeting was called to order by: Commissioner Coleman

This report was prepared by: Julia Jackson

3:06 PM – Commissioner Coleman called the meeting to order. Committee members and staff introduced themselves.

3:15 PM – Commissioner Coleman and Ms. Jackson discussed how public comments would be received. Discussion continued on taking public comment at the commission's hearings.

3:22 PM – Commissioner Coleman discussed the committee's reporting to the full commission.

3:28 PM – The committee considered whether commissioners should publish their email addresses. They noted their preference to receive comments through the web form.

3:36 PM – Commissioner Coleman presented her spreadsheet of submitted public comments and discussed methods of sorting the information. The committee discussed categorizing the comments and reviewing those categorizations.

3:50 PM – Commissioner Espinoza discussed available documents regarding commission obligations and communities of interest. She noted that staff must also categorize public comments when presenting their plans, and she questioned how that process would occur.

4:05 PM – Commissioner Brawner presented ideas of talking points for the commissioners to use when talking to their communities. The committee discussed other possible talking points. Commissioner Brawner suggested that commissioners use a positive tone and provide legal details while noting limitations.

4:14 PM – The committee returned to discussion of reporting to the full commission. Commissioner Coleman noted her intent to provide a write-up of how the committee would review public comment. Commissioner Brawner agreed to write an outline of media talking points. Commissioner Espinoza agreed to write a wrap-up of the meeting.

4:19 PM – The committee discussed future meeting schedules and future agenda topics (keywords for spreadsheet categorization, location info; presenting comments to the public on the website; interaction with other committees; publicizing hearings).

4:42 PM – The committee adjourned.